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The enclosed declaration swears behind the primary reference (Adar et al., USPN 6,493,702), rendering the claims patentable. Further, contrary to the allegations in the rejections there is no reason to combine Adar et al. with Jammes et al. (USPN 6,484,149) under 35 U.S.C. §103 because Adar et al. teaches only "bookmarks" and Jammes et al. teaches constructing hyperlinks at a web server. The proffered rationale for combining references thus bears no relevance to the primary reference. Further, the combination, even if improperly made, would not yield the present claims but would result only in what the references teach, i.e., user bookmarks as taught by Adar et al. that are unconnected to whatever links the Web server of Jammes et al. might create.

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